#### STATEMENT OF BASIS

as required by LAC 33:IX.3109, for draft Louisiana Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Permit No. <u>LA0115720</u>; AI <u>90792</u>; <u>PER20060001</u> to discharge to waters of the **State of Louisiana** as per LAC 33:IX.2311.

The permitting authority for the Louisiana Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (LPDES) is:

Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality

Office of Environmental Services

P. O. Box 4313

Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70821-4313

I. THE APPLICANT IS: Village of Choudrant

Squire Creek Wastewater Treatment Plant

P.O. Box 288

Choudrant, LA 71227

II. PREPARED BY:

Ronda Burtch

**DATE PREPARED:** 

June 7, 2007

III. PERMIT ACTION:

reissue LPDES permit <u>LA0115720</u>, AI <u>90792</u>; <u>PER20060001</u>

LPDES application received: August 17, 2006

EPA has not retained enforcement authority.

LPDES permit issued: May 1, 2002 LPDES permit expired: April 30, 2007

### IV. FACILITY INFORMATION:

- A. The application is for the discharge of treated sanitary wastewater from a publicly owned treatment works serving the Squire Creek Subdivision, golf course clubhouse, and maintenance building.
- B. The permit application does not indicate the receipt of industrial wastewater.
- C. The facility is located at the dead end of Spendthrift Drive in Squire Creek Subdivision in Choudrant, Lincoln Parish.
- D. The treatment facility consists of an extended aeration mechanical treatment plant that discharges into a recirulation pond and then into an unnamed pond. The recirculation pond and unnamed pond are owned and used for irrigation by the Squire Creek Golf Course. All sampling is conducted after the mechanical treatment plant before discharging into the recirculation pond. Disinfection is by ultraviolet light.

## E. Outfall 001

Discharge Location:

Latitude 32° 34' 00" North

Longitude 92° 30' 16" West

Description:

treated sanitary wastewater

Design Capacity:

0.1 MGD

Type of Flow Measurement which the facility is currently using:

Totalizing Meter on influent piping and V-Notch Weir at outfall

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## V. RECEIVING WATERS:

The discharge is into an unnamed recirculation pond, thence into another unnamed pond, thence into Squire Creek, if there is any overflow from the unnamed pond, in segment 080605 of the Ouachita River Basin. This segment is listed on the 303(d) list of impaired waterbodies.

The designated uses and degree of support for Segment 080605 of the Ouachita River Basin are as indicated in the table below.<sup>1</sup>:

Overall Degree of Support for Segment - 080605		pport of Each	Use				
Partial	Primary Contact Recreation	Secondary Contact Recreation	Propagation of Fish & Wildlife	Outstanding Natural Resource Water	Drinking Water Supply	Shell fish Propagation	Agriculture
	Full	Full	Not Supported	Full	N/A	N/A	N/A

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>/The designated uses and degree of support for Segment 080605 of the Ouachita River Basin are as indicated in LAC 33:IX.1123.C.3, Table (3) and the 2004 Water Quality Management Plan, Water Quality Inventory Integrated Report, Appendix A, respectively.

### VI. ENDANGERED SPECIES:

The receiving waterbody, Subsegment 080605 of the Ouachita River Basin, is not listed in Section II.2 of the Implementation Strategy as requiring consultation with the U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS). This strategy was submitted with a letter dated September 29, 2006 from Watson (FWS) to Brown (LDEQ). Therefore, in accordance with the Memorandum of Understanding between the LDEQ and the FWS, no further informal (Section 7, Endangered Species Act) consultation is required. It was determined that the issuance of the LPDES permit is not likely to have an adverse effect on any endangered or candidate species or the critical habitat. The effluent limitations established in the permit ensure protection of aquatic life and maintenance of the receiving water as aquatic habitat.

### VII. HISTORIC SITES:

The discharge is from an existing facility location, which does not include an expansion beyond the existing perimeter. Therefore, there should be no potential effect to sites or properties on or eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places, and in accordance with the 'Memorandum of Understanding for the Protection of Historic Properties in Louisiana Regarding LPDES Permits' no consultation with the Louisiana State Historic Preservation Officer is required.

### VIII. PUBLIC NOTICE:

Upon publication of the public notice, a public comment period shall begin on the date of publication and last for at least 30 days thereafter. During this period, any interested persons may submit written comments on the draft permit modification and may request a public hearing to clarify issues involved in the permit decision at this Office's address on the first page of the statement of basis. A request for a public hearing shall be in writing and shall state the nature of the issues proposed to be raised in the hearing.

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Public notice published in:

Local newspaper of general circulation

Office of Environmental Services Public Notice Mailing List For additional information, contact:

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## IX. PROPOSED PERMIT LIMITS:

Subsegment 080605, Bayou D'Arbonne - From Bayou D'Arbonne Lake to Ouachita River (Scenic), is listed on LDEQ's Final 2004 303(d) List as impaired for dissolved oxygen. To date no TMDLs have been competed for this waterbody. A reopener clause will be established in the permit to allow for the requirement of more stringent effluent limitations and requirements as imposed by a TMDL. Until completion of TMDLs for the Ouachita River Basin, those suspected causes for impairment which are not directly attributed to the sanitary wastewater point source category have been eliminated in the formulation of effluent limitations and other requirements of this permit. Additionally, suspected causes of impairment which would be attributed to pollutants which were not determined to be discharged at a level which would cause, have the reasonable potential to cause or contribute to an excursion above any present state water quality standard were also eliminated.

To protect against the potential for oxygen consuming pollutants that could cause instream DO problems, BOD<sub>5</sub> limitations have been placed in the permit.

#### Final Effluent Limits:

### **OUTFALL 001**

Final limits shall become effective on the effective date of the permit and expire on the expiration date of the permit.

Effluent Charactéristic	Monthly Avg: (lbs:/day)	Monthly Avg.	Weekly Avg	Basis
BOD₅	8	10 mg/l	15 mg/l	Limits are set in accordance with the Statewide Sanitary Effluent Limitations Policy (SSELP) for facilities of this treatment type and size.
TSS	13	15 mg/l	23 mg/l	TSS effluent limitations shall be based on a case-by-case evaluation of the treatment technology being utilized at a facility. Therefore, a Technology Based Limit has been established through Best Professional Judgement for the type of treatment technology utilized at this facility.

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#### Other Effluent Limitations:

### 1) Fecal Coliform

The discharge from this facility is into a water body which has a designated use of Primary Contact Recreation. According to LAC 33:IX.1113.C.5.b.i, the fecal coliform standards for this water body are 200/100 ml and 400/100 ml. Therefore, the limits of 200/100 ml (Monthly Average) and 400/100 ml (Weekly Average) are proposed as Fecal Coliform limits in the permit. These limits are being proposed through Best Professional Judgement in order to ensure that the water body standards are not exceeded, and due to the fact that existing facilities have demonstrated an ability to comply with these limitations using present available technology.

### 2) pH

According to LAC 33:IX.3705.A.1., POTW's must treat to at least secondary levels. Therefore, in accordance with LAC 33:IX.5905.C., the pH shall not be less than 6.0 standard units nor greater than 9.0 standard units at any time.

#### 3) Solids and Foam

There shall be no discharge of floating solids or visible foam in other than trace amounts in accordance with LAC 33:IX.1113.B.7.

### X. PREVIOUS PERMITS:

**LPDES Permit No. LA0115720:** Issued: May 1, 2002

Expired: April 30, 2007

Effluent Characteristic	<u>Discharge Lim</u> <u>Daily Avg.</u>	itations Daily Max.	Monitoring Requirements  Measurement Sample Frequency Type	
Flow BOD₅ TSS	Report 10 mg/l 15 mg/l	Report 15 mg/l 23 mg/l	Continuous 2/month 2/month	Recorder Grab Grab
Fecal Coliform Colonies	200	400	2/month	Grab

The permit contains pollution prevention language.

### XI. ENFORCEMENT AND SURVEILLANCE ACTIONS:

#### A) Inspections

A review of the files indicates that there have been no recent inspections performed for this facility.

### B) Compliance and/or Administrative Orders

A review of the files indicates that there are no enforcement actions administered against this facility.

# C) DMR Review

A review of the discharge monitoring reports revealed that there are no recent DMRs on file for this facility.

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### XII. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

The Department of Environmental Quality reserves the right to impose more stringent discharge limitations and/or additional restrictions in the future to maintain the water quality integrity and the designated uses of the receiving water bodies based upon water quality studies. These studies may indicate the need for **advanced/more advanced** wastewater treatment. Studies of similar dischargers and receiving water bodies have resulted in monthly average effluent limitations of 5 mg/l CBOD<sub>5</sub>, and 2 mg/l NH<sub>3</sub>-N. Therefore, prior to upgrading or expanding this facility, the permittee should contact the Department to determine the status of the work being done to establish future effluent limitations and additional permit conditions.

Final effluent loadings (i.e. lbs/day) have been established based upon the permit limit concentrations and the design capacity of 0.1 MGD.

Effluent loadings are calculated using the following example:

BOD:  $8.34 \text{ lb/gal} \times 0.1 \text{ MGD} \times 10 \text{ mg/l} = 8 \text{ lb/day}$ 

At present, the **Monitoring Requirements, Sample Types, and Frequency of Sampling** as shown in the permit are standard for facilities of flows between 0.10 and 0.50 MGD.

Effluent Characteristics	Monitoring Requirements		
	Measurement	Sample	
	Frequency	Type	
Flow	Continuous	Recorder	
BOD <sub>5</sub>	2/month	Grab	
Total Suspended Solids	2/month	Grab	
Fecal Coliform Bacteria	2/month	Grab	
pH	2/month	Grab	

### **Pretreatment Requirements**

Based upon consultation with LDEQ pretreatment personnel, general pretreatment language will be used due to the lack of either an approved or required pretreatment program.

#### Pollution Prevention Requirements

The permittee shall institute or continue programs directed towards pollution prevention. The permittee shall institute or continue programs to improve the operating efficiency and extend the useful life of the facility. The permittee will complete an annual Environmental Audit Report <u>each year</u> for the life of this permit according to the schedule below. The permittee will accomplish this requirement by completing an Environmental Audit Form which has been attached to the permit. All other requirements of the Municipal Wastewater Pollution Prevention Program are contained in Part II of the permit.

The audit evaluation period is as follows:

Audit Period	Audit Period	Audit Report Completion
Begins	Ends	Date.
Effective Date of Permit	12 Months from Audit Period Beginning Date	3 Months from Audit Period Ending Date

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### XIII TENTATIVE DETERMINATION:

On the basis of preliminary staff review, the Department of Environmental Quality has made a tentative determination to reissue a permit for the discharge described in this Statement of Basis.

### XIV REFERENCES:

Louisiana Water Quality Management Plan / Continuing Planning Process, Vol. 8, "Wasteload Allocations / Total Maximum Daily Loads and Effluent Limitations Policy," Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality, 2005.

Louisiana Water Quality Management Plan / Continuing Planning Process, Vol. 5, "Water Quality Inventory Section 305(b) Report," Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality, 1998.

Louisiana Administrative Code, Title 33 - Environmental Quality, Part IX - Water Quality Regulations, Chapter 11 - "Louisiana Surface Water Quality Standards," Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality, 2004.

<u>Louisiana Administrative Code, Title 33 - Environmental Quality, Part IX - Water Quality Regulations, Subpart 2 - "The LPDES Program,"</u> Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality, 2004.

<u>Low-Flow Characteristics of Louisiana Streams</u>, Water Resources Technical Report No. 22, United States Department of the Interior, Geological Survey, 1980.

Index to Surface Water Data in Louisiana, Water Resources Basic Records Report No. 17, United States Department of the Interior, Geological Survey, 1989.

<u>LPDES Permit Application to Discharge Wastewater</u>, Village of Choudrant, Squire Creek Wastewater Treatment Plant, August 17, 2006.

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	,	LOUISIANA WATER POLLUTION CONTROL FEE SYSTEM RATING WORKSHEET					
•	PERMIT NO: LA0115720; AI 90792; PER20060001						
1		Company Name: Facility Name:	Village of Choudrant Squire Creek Wastewater Treatment Plant				
2.		Local Mailing Address:	P.O. Box 288 Choudrant, LA 71227				
3. 4.		Billing Address (If different): Facility Location:	at the dead end of Spendthrift Drive in Squire Creek Subdivision				
	a.	Parish:	Lincoln				
5.		Facility Type:	publicly owned treatment works				
	a.	Treatment Process Used:	extended aeration mechanical treatment plant. Disinfection is by ultrav light.				
6.		Products Produced: Raw materials stored or used: By-products produced:					
7.		Primary SIC Code:	4952				
8.		Other SIC Codes: Fac. Manager: Telephone:	Mayor Bill Sanderson (318) 768-4111				
9.	a.	Owner: Telephone:					
10		Env. Contact: Telephone:					
11.	s	tate Permit No.: LA0155720		12. NPDES Permit No.			
	а	. Date Issued: May 1, 2002		a. Effective Date:			
	b	. New; Modified:		b. Expiration Date:			
13.		Number and Identification of Outfalls:	One, 001				
14.		Number of Injection Wells:					
15.		Water Source(s):					
16.			recirculation pond, thence into another unnamed pond, thence re Creek, if there is any overflow from the irrigation system				
		Is receiving water:					
		a. Public Water Supply     b. Designated Water Quality Limited     c. In Compliance with Water Quality Sta	)	res() No(X) res(X) No() res() No(X)			
17.		River Basin: Ouachita River	18. E	Basin Segment No. <u>080605</u>			
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